THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI): (a) to (d) According to the Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board, no acute problem of river pollution is reported in Uttar Pradesh due to industrial pollution. A total of 241 defaulting industries have been indentified which are discharging effluents into rivers and lakes in Uttar Pradesh. Out of these, 175 units have adopted requisite pollution control facilities, 59 units are closed. 7 units are defaulting and facing legal action.

Environmental Clearance for Stadia at Secunderabad

3433. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the citizens of Secunderabad are opposing the move to convert the Gymkhana ground and Bison Polo ground there into stadia, on account of serious environmental damage for the people of Hyderabad; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to refuse Environmental clearance for the stadia in the city area?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI): (a) news item has appeared in the daily newspaper "Deccan Chronicle" on 12.7.2000 regarding opposition by the citizens of Secunderabad to convert the Gymkhana ground and Bison Polo ground into stadia.

(b) Ministry of Environment and Forests have not received any proposal for environmental clearance in this regard.

Joint Forest Management Scheme

3434. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to refer to answer to Starred Question 362 and 373, given in the Rajya Sabha on the 18th August, 2000 and state:

(a) the details of the Joint Forest Management Scheme including criteria for selecting villages and specific development projects indentified, if any;

(b) the machinery proposed for providing funds to villagers; and

(c) the monitoring agency proposed for evaluating progress of the work?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT